



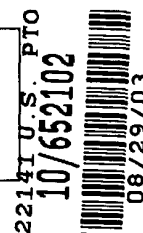
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PATENT

Preliminary Classification:

Proposed Class:

Subclass:



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Mail Stop Patent Application
Commissioner for Patents
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NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

Inventor(s): Ken Thaler

For (title): ENERGY ABSORBER FOR FALL ARREST SYSTEMS

1. Type of Application

This application is for an original (non-provisional).

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2. Papers Enclosed

A. Required for filing date under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) (Regular) or 37 C.F.R. § 1.153 (Design) Application

16 Page(s) of Specification
5 Page(s) of Claims
6 Sheet(s) of Drawing(s)--Formal

B. Other Papers Enclosed

2 Page(s) of declaration and power of attorney
1 Page(s) of abstract

3. Additional Papers Enclosed

Information Disclosure Statement (37 C.F.R. § 1.98)

Form PTO-1449 (PTO/SB/08A and 08B)

Citations - copies of Foreign and non-patent literature - 2

4. Declaration or Oath

Enclosed and executed by the inventor.

5. Inventorship Statement

The inventorship for all the claims in this application is the same.

6. Language

English

7. Certified Copy

Certified copy of application:

Country

Application Number

Filed

Canada

2417592

January 28, 2003

from which priority is claimed will follow.

8. Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. § 1.16)

| Regular Application | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|--|----|--------------|----|---|------|---|----|--------|----------|------|
| CLAIMS AS FILED | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Basic Fee 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(a) \$750.00 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Number Filed | | | Number Extra | | | Rate | | | | | |
| Total | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(c)) | | 20 | — | 20 | = | 0 | x | \$ | 18.00 | = \$ | 0.00 |
| Independent | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b)) | | 1 | — | 3 | = | 0 | x | \$ | 84.00 | = \$ | 0.00 |
| Multiple Dependent Claim(s), if any (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(d)) | | | | | | | | \$ | 280.00 | \$ | 0.00 |
| Filing Fee Calculation | | | | | | | | | | \$750.00 | |

9. Assertion of Small Entity Status

Applicant hereby asserts status as a small entity under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.

Status as a small entity was asserted in the prior application 2417592 filed on January 28, 2003 from which benefit is being claimed for this application under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) and which status as a small entity is still proper and asserted for this application.

Filing Fee Calculation (50% of above Filing Fee Calculation) \$ 375.00

10. Fee Payment Being Made at This Time

Enclosed

Filing Fee \$375.00

Total Fees Enclosed \$375.00

11. Method of Payment of Fees

Authorization is hereby made to charge the amount of **\$375.00** to credit card as shown on the attached credit card information authorization form PTO-2038. Charge any additional fees required by this paper or credit any overpayment in the manner authorized above. A duplicate of this paper is attached.

12. Authorization to Charge Additional Fees

The Office is hereby authorized to charge, in the manner shown above, the following additional fees that may be required by this paper and during the entire pendency of this application.

37 C.F.R. § 1.16(a), (f) or (g) (filing fees)

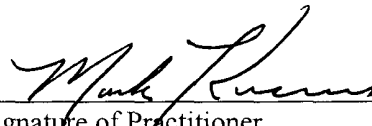
37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b), (c) or (d) (presentation of extra claims)

13. Instructions as to Overpayment

Credit Account No. 50-0537.

Date: August 29, 2003

Reg. No.: 31,115
Tel. No.: 440-684-1090
Customer No.: 22203



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